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REMARKS _____

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1. In mid-July 1953, _____ a
MiG-15 parked at Cottbus airfield. _____ the Soviet air
unit, which previously had been stationed at Cottbus, moved to Welzow.
This is bore out by the fact that the Soviet advisors attached to the
VPL unit frequently traveled there. 50X1-HUM
2. Around 11 August 1953, the units of the 1st VPL Div were ready for a
night practice alert. On this occasion the VPL soldiers were instructed
that there were to be two alert stages, i.e. Stage 1 involving the
immediate employment of the armed unit, and Stage 2 indicating that the
unit would be transferred.
3. In early August, an order was made known, according to which no VP
soldiers were allowed to have civilian clothes at their quarters. All
civilian clothes had to be returned to the home address of the VPs.
4. On 10 August, 10 Yak-18s arrived by air for the VPL unit in Cottbus.
_____ Twenty Soviet soldiers, 50X1-HUM
_____ performed the maintenance work on these
aircraft.

_____ Comment. In mid-July 1953, the former Soviet instruction regiment 50X1-HUM
for the VPL air force moved from Cottbus to Welzow. Cottbus airfield is now
believed to be occupied by the 601st VPL Regt which is also being trained
with Yak-18s.

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